



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2013
WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen Members.

Members present: Ray Bates, Dan Gordon, Richard Gray, Jr. Ronnie Brann and Jonathan Adams.

Public Attending: Tom Reed, Carol Chavarie and Mark Parlin.

Employees Attending: Theresa Haskell, (*Town Manager*), Keith Hall (*Road Supervisor*), Tim Coston (*Transfer Station Attendant and Backup ACO*) and Debbie French (*Secretary to the BOS*).

Ray Bates called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Ronnie Brann made a motion to approve the Minutes dated from 7-16-13 and the Minutes dated 7-30-13 as written seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 5-0-0.

Public Comment: None.

Public Works:

- a) Pike is a couple of weeks behind so Keith had to go fill some potholes.
- b) Cutting brush on Shuman Road.
- c) Signs are up on Hunts Meadow Road following the complaint. This is a suggested speed for that corner.
- d) Cap has been mowed.
- e) Went to a Maine Local Roads class today.
- f) Will be working on chipping when we have access to a chipper.
- g) Had a complaint about big trucks going much faster than the 35 mph on Ridge Road so the police will be monitoring the road for a while.
- h) Theresa had the design for the PW addition and she, Keith and the BOS went over it. There was much discussion. Keith is concerned about being able to lock up the gas/diesel powered tools with the proper ventilation. CEO Arthur Strout was asked to look over the design regarding the storage of these power tools. Arthur does not recommend having the storage area for the power tools in the office. He also recommends that the storage room be fireproofed and just be a cold storage room.
- i) Jonathan said that he would like to have some hooks on the side of the trucks to hang the chains on, that way they will be readily available when needed.

Transfer Station:

- a) **Monthly Figures:** First month into the year we are a negative \$193.40 from last year. Tim said that this reflects all the new plastics that we now recycle.
- b) **Ronnie Brann made a motion to purchase two compactors at a cost of \$26,650.00 seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 5-0-0.** Theresa sent an email and ordered them when the motion passed. Ray said that the electrician said that we will need a 400 amp service. There was also discussion on the electric gate. Ronnie thinks that we should get it ordered and then when the electrician is ready we will be all set to go.

- c) Theresa spoke with Waste Management regarding the wood and they will take care of it at \$55.00 per ton which the person bringing in the wood will be paying. There cannot be any pressure treated wood mixed in with the wood pile. This would take the place of Tim burning the wood pile. They will be contacting Theresa on the ash and how to get rid of it and what it entails.

Consideration of Payment Warrants #7 & #8: Jonathan Adams made a motion to approve warrants #7 & #8 seconded by Rick Gray, Jr. and approved 5-0-0.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Town Manager's Items:

- a) **RSU #12 Budget Validation Referendum Warrant:** Theresa has a warrant from the RSU that needs to be signed. **Ronnie Brann made a motion to sign the RSU #12 Budget Validation Referendum Warrant seconded by Rick Gray, Jr. and approved 4-0-1.** Ray Bates abstained because he does not approve the RSU # 12 Proposed Budget. The four selectmen signing each vowed that they are signing of their own free will.
- b) **Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Convention:** October 2 & 3 in the past we have closed on Thursdays for the training and awards ceremony. **Ray Bates made a motion to approve the closing of the office on Thursday, October 3rd for the staff to attend the MMA Convention seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 5-0-0.** Theresa told the BOS that there is a RSU Withdrawal Workshop at the convention that she will be attending and would also like Tom Squiers to attend. **Ray Bates made a motion to approve sending Tom Squiers to the workshop at the MMA Convention regarding RSU withdrawals seconded by Ronnie Brann and approved 5-0-0.**
- c) **The Town Hub:** Theresa read the informational letters to be put on the web page's "The Town Hub" which is a place for the BOS to keep the towns people informed of current issues.
- d) **Greeley memorial stone:** There has been a request to place a memorial stone and park bench in memory of Rance Greeley, who was a Selectman for many years during his life. Theresa said she can have these people come to the next BOS Meeting if the BOS would like. She will contact them to come.
- e) **Roofing Refund:** Theresa said we received a refund from Mitchell's Roofing in the amount of \$325.00 because there was one part of the roof that they did not have to do.
- f) **Town-owned Properties:** We still have two trailers – one on Barton Road which people are still living in and we are paying the insurance on it while they pay nothing. An eviction will have to be done. The other one is located on Ridge Road and to our knowledge it is empty. Ronnie suggested that it just be dismantled and hauled away. A third property is still in bankruptcy and is land only.
- g) **Bank of Maine CD Rates compared to Kennebec Savings 9-13-13:** The Bank of Maine came and met with Theresa and would like to get some of our business. They told her that they can do better rates on the CD's (Certificate of Deposits) and that they could combine them and give us a spreadsheet indicating how much interest each account would earn.
- h) **Salt Prices:** Theresa did some research on salt prices over the years. Over the last five years we are a little bit ahead with a good product compared to being with KVCOG. Going with KVCOG would mean we would get who they choose and not being able to choose who we want. Theresa said that International Salt has been very good to us both price wise and product quality.
- i) **Windsor Neck Cemetery & North Windsor Baptist Church Cemetery – Poison Ivy around fences:** There was much discussion regarding ways to kill the poison ivy and how to repair or remove the fencing that is decaying. Theresa said that Dick Pooler said that he was interested in working on this. Also, Rick Gray said that he has a couple of scouts who are working to earn their Eagle Scout Badge

who might be able to do take care of the fencing issue as a project. Rick Gray, Jr. and Theresa will meet with Dick Pooler at the Cemetery Committee Meeting.

Selectmen's Items: None.

Chairman Ray Bates adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on August 27, 2013 with the following amendments: None.

The next Regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be on August 27, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie French
Secretary to the Board of Selectmen